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## BRITAIN SENDS 500,000 MEN TO GUARD EGYPT AND CANAL

### WAR ON USURERS ONLY BEGUN; WILL NOT BE STOPPED

Deputy City Attorney Carden Says One Gang Has Been Broken Up By Convictions Against John Vivichaves in Circuit Court

### OTHER MEMBERS OF RING FACE PROSECUTION NOW

Rates as High as 40 Per Cent for Loans of 15 Days' Duration Have Been Charged; Fireman's Kick Bared Hold-Up Game

When John Vivichaves entered a plea of guilty yesterday morning in the first circuit court to the charge of usury for which he was being tried, at least one strong gang of usurers was broken up, said Deputy City Attorney W. T. Carden today. "Vivichaves was the leading spirit of the crowd, and was involved in more transactions than the others."

"We intend to break up usury in the city," says the deputy city attorney who carried the case through for the prosecution, "and we shall welcome word from anyone else who has come under the clutches of the usury game."

Vivichaves was tried twice on separate charges. On the third trial the prosecution brought in William Ayau as its main witness, the defense asking for a continuance of the trial on the ground that they wished more time to meet the testimony offered.

According to the trial was continued until yesterday morning, and when court opened, Vivichaves withdrew his former plea of not guilty and admitted his guilt. Date of sentence has been set for January 8. Vivichaves is now out on bond. Carden said today that the prosecution intends to ask the court for a substantial sentence.

Fireman Made Kick.  
"We first learned of the game these men were working on city employees through one of the members of the fire department," says the attorney. "The fireman applied for his money of the county auditor to find that orders had been made out to withhold all of it."

"As the man from whom the fireman borrowed the money had promised not to turn in the order to the auditor, the fireman began to make a kick, and Auditor Bickell brought him into our office to get some settlement of the trouble."

"What the fireman told us, together with testimony from other employees of the city who were borrowing money from the gang, finally led to our preferring charges against several of them."

E. Markie pleaded guilty several days ago. A charge has been preferred against W. L. Peterson already, and another warrant will be served on him today. Peterson, W. E. Wayman and L. Ayau are yet to be tried. Peterson's case will probably come up Monday.

According to Deputy Carden the individual loans are not so vital with the men as are the compound interest debts that accrue when payments cannot be made at once.

Charged 10 Per Cent a Month.  
Interest has been charged at 10 per cent a month for large loans, and up to 40 per cent for 15-day period on small ones. There are several cases of 20 per cent being charged for a period of three days, but the common rate has been \$6 returned for \$5 borrowed. Other cases were \$14 for \$10 loans.

As an example of how fast the loans gather compound interest, if a man borrows \$20 at 40 per cent for 15 days, at the end of his first pay day after he receives the money, he will owe the lender the neat sum of \$28. Compound interest on this amount will bring the interest in the next 15 days up to \$11.20, making \$39.20 that the borrower owes if he lets the note run. On his third pay day six weeks after he has borrowed the money he will owe \$54.88. Parallel cases to this example have been found in tracing down the usurers.

OKUMA WILL NOT GET TO DIET THIS YEAR

(Special Cable to Hawaii Shingo)  
TOKIO, Dec. 23.—Premier Okuma has been confined to his home this week and his physician gave out the statement today that the premier would not be able to appear before the diet this year.

### SUGAR

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 23.—Sugar: 96 degrees test, 4.55 cents. Previous advance, 1.39 cents.

### MEMORIALS

Bronze, Granite and Marble.  
H. E. HENDRICK, LTD.  
Merchant and Alakea

### FIFTY PER CENT STOCK DIVIDEND FOR SAN CARLOS

A. D. Cooper Outlines Prosperous Condition of Sugar Company in Philippines

### BIG NET EARNINGS HAVE BEEN INVESTED IN PLANT

Total of Profits More Than \$200,000; Plan to Increase Stock to \$600,000

After an absence of several months spent in the Philippines, A. D. Cooper, the secretary and a director of San Carlos Milling Company, returned on the Persia Maru last Saturday morning. In response to a request by a representative of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin for an interview, Mr. Cooper made the following statement this morning:

"The first news that I received on arriving in Honolulu last Saturday, was of the death of Edmond F. McManis. It came as a great shock to me as the last word I had received, in response to a cable inquiry that I made from San Carlos after an operation that he had in October, was to the effect that he was recovering, and I expected to find him well and strong by the time I got back here."

"In addition to the other responsibilities that he held in the community, which were rather numerous for a young man of his age, he was acting secretary of San Carlos Milling Company from the time of my departure last April almost up to the time of his death; and took a keen interest in its affairs to the last. He was a life-long friend of mine, and I am sure that no one outside of his immediately family misses him more than I do."

"The object of my trip to the Philippines was to make an inspection of San Carlos Milling Company's business there and to report on it to the company's directors, who sent me."

"I was also to make a special inquiry into the possibilities for securing more cane for the factory, as it was evident at the time I left Honolulu that the then contracted areas would be insufficient to supply the enlarged capacity of the factory for the 1916 season."

All Cane It Can Handle.  
"The question of cane supply being the most pressing matter, and the recommendations that I cabled to the directors being satisfactory, negotiations were opened shortly after my arrival at San Carlos with a view to making additional milling contracts, and after some delays these were"

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### SHINGLE IS GAME LOSER IN FIGHT ON FEDERAL SITE

"The joke of the whole Stanford Court affair and the Shingle children," says Robert W. Shingle, president of the Waterhouse Trust Company and member of the board of supervisors, "is that it wasn't the Shingle children who made the trouble. Two other children, one with the toothache and the other with the stomachache, started all the excitement."

Mr. Shingle explained the story today to a representative of the Star-Bulletin who managed to pull him from a throng of Honolulu friends long enough to get a brief interview. The Shingles returned this morning on the Great Northern.

"You have heard already that we won the case," he said. "The land lord paid all the expenses that I incurred in the suit and told me in leaving that he had no hard feelings over the matter."

"Mrs. Shingle says that the one ambition of her life now is to own an apartment house in San Francisco where only mothers with children can live."

"I was much pleased to hear that the government has purchased a site for the federal building," continues the popular supervisor, "and will say for the Waterhouse Trust Company that although we lost in our fight on the matter we are now ready to boost for the new building and will do anything we can to help it along."

City Hall Next Problem.  
"Honolulu needs a new city hall if she is going to be in line with the other cities of the United States. This is essential from a business standpoint with regard to the saving of rents and also from a point of civic pride."

"If we can get the Mahuka postoffice site for the city building when the federal government has put up its new structure, I shall be in favor of it. If not, we shall have to move over to the civic center site."

Shingle says that business prospects

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### SIGNS DEVELOP DOLE WON'T GET REAPPOINTMENT

Strong Prospect Bill May Pass Providing for Retirement on Same Salary

From two sources develop indications that Federal Judge Sanford B. Dole, the veteran jurist of all Hawaii, is to be finally retired to make way for a Democrat.

Advices which have reached Hawaii from Washington by cable indicate that Congressmen and other officials are "getting together" in favor of the bill under which Judge Dole would be pensioned when he retires, as is done in the states. This bill was introduced by Delegate Kalaniana'ole at the request of Attorney A. A. Wilder on December 6, and is a general measure providing that any U. S. judge resigning at the age of 70 after having held his commission for 10 years, shall receive the same salary as given him before retirement, and there is a specific provision to make this applicable to the Hawaiian federal judge.

It is rather believed here that the department of justice will make no move formally to relieve Judge Dole until this legislation is perfected. The fact that it is being favored convinces some local observers that the department has no intention of recommending the judge for reappointment, purely on account of political reasons.

That such, indeed, is the attitude of the department is shown by special correspondence received from the Star-Bulletin's Washington representative. Writing under date of December 10, he says:

"WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10.—The supply of patronage pie available for distribution among Deserving Democrats in Hawaii has greatly increased of late. In fact there is much encouragement and 'enheartenment' felt among those supposedly classified as 'deserving.'"

There is a successor for Judge Dole's shoes. Department of justice officials say he (Dole) will not be reappointed.

In addition there are two additional judicial vacancies in Hawaii and these positions must be filled whenever suitable timber can be found.

### CLOSE STREETS TO VEHICLES ON CHRISTMAS EVE

Merrymakers Will Own 'Thoroughfares'; No Flour or Dirty Confetti May Be Thrown

No vehicles except Rapid Transit cars will be allowed on Fort street between King and Pauahi, or on Hotel between Union and Bethel, after 7 o'clock tomorrow night. Traffic officers will be stationed thickly throughout the district to prevent violations, and have strict orders to arrest anyone not promptly obeying instructions.

This order was issued by Sheriff Charles H. Rose today after consultation with other members of the police department, the purpose being to keep a part of the downtown district open for pleasure seekers Christmas Eve. On Fort and Hotel streets, where cars of several routes pass, the street cars run at about three minute intervals and as automobiles and other vehicles cannot pass the cars while the latter are standing, the sheriff thinks the two streets would be entirely blocked tomorrow night if vehicles were allowed on them.

Vehicles traveling on Fort or Hotel street must make a detour at the points where the streets are closed in order to pass the center of the city. King street and all other streets but those mentioned will be open.

Orders have been issued that tomorrow night pedestrians must keep moving. Loafing on corners or gathering on the street or sidewalk will not be allowed, and, besides, all pedestrians must keep to the right.

No Throwing of Flour.  
No fireworks; no canes with explosive caps in them; no flour or talcum powder; no confetti picked from the streets. This is a summary of the orders issued to a special detail of patrolmen who will be sent downtown tomorrow night.

"Every available officer will be downtown," Sheriff Rose states, "and their orders are strict—they are to arrest anyone, no matter who, that violates the regulations. We will not allow any kind of explosives, and will make a special effort to nab anyone who scrapes confetti from the sidewalk and uses it, or uses flour or talcum powder."

Otherwise, policemen will not interfere with legitimate fun tomorrow night. There will be the biggest crowd here, if the weather is good, that has ever been on the streets Christmas Eve, and the police department wishes every one to have a "Merry Christmas," but those who exceed the limits set by the city regulations will certainly spend the holiday in jail."

### CHRISTMAS MAIL BUSINESS SETS A NEW U. S. RECORD

Postal Department Handling Vast Volume Without Any Delay

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—The postoffice department is receiving advices from all over the country of enormous mail traffic, showing that the postal business for this Christmas is the heaviest in the history of the country. Though the mass of mail is tremendous, it is moving without delay to the points of destination.

### HARVESTER CO. SEEKS TO AID ITS EMPLOYEES

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)  
CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 23.—An announcement was made today that the International Harvester Company plans to assist 35,000 employees to become stockholders and sharers in the profits of the company. The employees are to purchase the stock by monthly payments from their salaries.

### NO ILLINOIS LAW TO INDICT PHYSICIAN WHO LET DEFORMED BABY DIE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 23.—There is no law for the state of Illinois under which Dr. Halsey, who recently refused to operate to lengthen the life of a baby monstrously born to the Bollinger family of Chicago, can be indicted and tried. This has been determined by a search of the state statutes.

### BERNHARDT IS SLOWLY BREAKING DOWN; NOT LIKELY TO VISIT U. S.

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
PARIS, France, Dec. 23.—Sarah Bernhardt, the noted actress, is said to be afflicted with a malady of the bones, of an obscure and perhaps incurable nature. She gives occasional public recitations sitting in a chair. She appears doubtful of her ability to undertake an American tour. She is forced to walk with the aid of two canes.

### HEARST'S MEXICAN RANCH SAID TO BE CONFISCATED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 23.—Two employees of the W. R. Hearst ranch, near Madera, have arrived here after a 90-mile overland trip, reporting that Gen. Villa has confiscated Hearst property near Madera and is looting generally. Four Americans are held as prisoners.

### OHIO VOTERS GET BACK RIGHT TO CAST BALLOT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)  
COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 23.—Two thousand citizens of Adams county, Ohio, who were disenfranchised in 1910 for corrupt election practices were automatically enfranchised today under the corrupt practices act.

### HOOR GREAT NORTHERN WILL DEPART IS NOT DEFINITELY SETTLED

This afternoon no word had been received by Fred L. Waldron, Ltd., the local agents, from the Great Northern Pacific Steamship Company's San Francisco office, as to whether the Great Northern will leave at an earlier hour Sunday than her scheduled sailing time, 11 o'clock the night of December 26.

Suggestions had been made from within the company that departure in the afternoon instead of at night might be more convenient, but no definite action has yet been taken by the San Francisco office concerning the proposed change. On the other hand, there is much opposition locally to the change as it is said the passengers should be given as long as possible in Honolulu.

PRINCESS ABBIE KAWANANA-KOA, who is at present in Washington, is seriously ill with typhoid fever, according to word received in a wireless message yesterday by her sister, Mrs. Walter Macfarlane. It is not believed that the disease will result fatally, though the princess has been ill for the last 10 days.

ced the limits set by the city regulations will certainly spend the holiday in jail."

### MEMBER OF CIVILIAN ADVISORY BOARD WITH U. S. NAVY DEPARTMENT



Hudson Maxim, ordnance expert, whose work with the new naval advisory board stamps him as one of its leaders.

### JACK LONDON BACK TO WRITE ANOTHER NOVEL; MAY STAY SIX MONTHS

"Yes, I'm back to write another novel in Honolulu," said Jack London this morning, as he elbowed his way through the throng on Pier 6, just after the Great Northern docked. "This one is to be called 'Hearts of Three,' and is already begun, as a matter of fact."

### HARRY BUCK DIES IN PATROL WAGON

Well Known Member of Crew of Yacht Hawaii Succumbs to Heart Failure

Harry Buck, a seaman who has made Honolulu his headquarters for years, died last night about 9 o'clock in the police patrol, between the police station and Queen's Hospital. Buck was about 40 years of age, and was a member of the crew of the racing yacht Hawaii during one of the recent contests between this port and the mainland.

Buck was found last night at Nuuanu and Hotel streets lying on the sidewalk, and was picked up by an officer who sent him to the station in the patrol under the impression that he was drunk. Capt. Baker, at the station, noticed a strange pallor, and feeling the man's brow discovered that he was cold. His pulse was barely perceptible. Buck was started to Queen's hospital in the patrol and on the way a stop was made at the home of Dr. R. G. Ayer, the man's condition appearing very serious. Dr. Ayer found Buck just at the threshold of death. A few minutes later he was dead.

An autopsy today showed that Buck was suffering from an unusually severe enlargement of an artery of the heart and that other organs were inflamed and enlarged. Continuous use of alcohol is assigned by physicians as the cause of the heart trouble. Buck has no known relatives here. Unless friends or relatives are found he will be buried by the county.

### AUTO CRUSHES DOG, BUT OWNER DOES NOT STOP

In too much of a hurry to stop or turn out, the chauffeur of a touring car bearing the number 1761 this morning ran over a large black and white dog which was lying in the road at the corner of Nuuanu and Merchant streets. Several of the dog's ribs were broken and its hip dislocated. It was taken to the police station and killed to end its pain. K. Ikuma is listed as owner of auto No. 1761.

The railway that will link Greece with the rest of Europe is expected to be completed in August.

### SECOND AMERICAN NOTE GETS A BETTER RECEPTION; BRITISH LOSSES AT DARDANELLES HUGE

MORE THAN HUNDRED THOUSAND CASUALTIES IS PRICE OF COSTLY CAMPAIGN—BERLIN STATEMENT DECLARES TEUTONS HAVE RE-WON HARTMANNSWEILERKOPF—MORE INDICTMENTS OF GERMAN "WAR-PLOTTERS"—GROWING UNEASINESS IN GREECE

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless)

BERLIN, Germany, Dec. 23.—A newspaper here has received advices that Great Britain now has 300,000 troops in Egypt and 200,000 guarding the Suez Canal and that 70,000 men arrived last week, the move being made to block a Teuton campaign against Egypt.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 23.—W. H. Hamilton, member of American Mercy Relief Committee, who arrived today from Europe, says that more than 4,000,000 people in Poland are destitute and dependent upon soup kitchens. The entire country which the Russians evacuated contains scarcely one habitable building, he declared.

VIENNA, Austria, Dec. 23.—The new note sent by the United States and dealing with the torpedoing of the Italian liner Ancona by an Austrian submarine has made a good impression. An answer has been begun.

Inasmuch as the second American note was virtually a reiteration of the first, and in the second note the United States refused to debate "non-essentials" with Austria, it seems probable that the peremptory demands made by the state department are now being acceded to by Austria. It is officially given out in Vienna that the second note has made a "good impression," indicating that Austria will yield or at least send a more satisfactory reply than the first Vienna answer to the U. S. demands.

### More Indictments Against Germans

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless)

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Indictments charging conspiracy were handed down today by the federal grand jury against Paul Koenig, head of the bureau of investigation of the Hamburg-American Steamship Company, and Richard Lyendecker, an art goods dealer, both of whom were arrested last week and held in heavy bail. It is alleged that they conspired to dynamite the Welland canal.

Edmund Justice, the Hamburg-American watchman, who was arrested yesterday, and Koenig were also indicted for conspiracy to secure military information for Germany. Justice is said to be one of the main links connecting up the Hamburg-American Company as a violator of American neutrality laws.

### Greece Uneasy; Bulgar Rush Feared

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 23.—It is unofficially reported here that martial law is imminent in Greece. There is growing uneasiness that the Bulgarians will cross the Greek border, and it is realized that an invasion might bring the two nations into conflict.

The developments of the attack of the Russians on Varna, the Bulgarian Black Sea port, show that the Russian assault here was only a minor action with torpedo-boats and that it is probably preliminary to a much more extensive sea-bombardment. A large Russian fleet is reported to be in the vicinity of Varna.

### Yasaka Maru Submerged; All Saved

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 23.—The steamer Yasaka Maru has been sunk by a submarine. The flag under which the vessel was sailing is not known. The sinking occurred on Tuesday afternoon and the passengers and crew were saved at midnight by a French gunboat which picked up the refugees from their open boats.

(Special Cable to Hawaii Shingo)

TOKIO, Japan, Dec. 23.—The Yasaka Maru, the Japanese Mail Steamship Company liner which was sunk by a German submarine in the Mediterranean Sea, was one of the leading boats of Japan in the passenger service. The navy department will officially investigate the attack on the Japanese liner at once.

### Germans Claim Important Hill Re-taken

BERLIN, Germany, Dec. 23.—The Germans have succeeded in recapturing the summit of Hartmannsweilerkopf. The French took this important position earlier in the week. Twenty-three officers and 1530 French soldiers were captured in the second fight.

### Great British Loss At Dardanelles

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 23.—The British loss in the Dardanelles from the beginning of the campaign up to December 11 totals 112,921 officers and men, it was officially announced today.

### French Say Situation Is Unchanged

PARIS, France, Dec. 23.—Official—The situation on the French left at Hartmannsweilerkopf remains unchanged. There is continued progress by the French on the right.

### GERMAN OFFICIAL CABLEGRAMS

The following cablegram from official German sources was received today:  
"German headquarters report, Dec. 23.—The German 82nd territorial brigade, after a hot combat, has reconquered the top of Hartmannsweilerkopf. The enemy suffered extremely heavy and bloody losses, besides 23 amount to only about 1100."

officers and 1530 soldiers being taken prisoner. The Germans still occupy this position and are ejecting the French from some trenches on the northern slope.

"The French report of Dec. 22 states that in the combats of Dec. 21 1300 Germans were captured. The French statement is an exaggeration by at least half the number given, since the German total losses, including the dead, wounded and missing, amount to only about 1100."